

HOLT PC

Summary of “strengths” from Comment Sheets completed at the public meeting on 20th July 2012.

95 forms from a total attendance of 122 were collected.

By far the largest proportion of perceived strengths (52%) were support for the idea of bringing the derelict site back into use and removing an eyesore by renovating the better buildings and new building on the rest of the site, accompanied by what many see as decontaminating a dangerous area.

Large numbers also supported the proposed mixture of residential and business use, the commitment to design sensitive to the look of the village, and the hope that one developer will mean a holistic approach, not piecemeal.

Specifically, more business units, meaning more jobs, were seen as a strength by several people, as was the relatively small scale of the development – bigger was seen as a detriment. (Small businesses mean small lorries!)

If done properly, the opportunity to ameliorate the traffic and parking problems of the village was supported.

Also liked was the proposed range of housing types, new residents to bring life to the village, and the consultative approach of the developers. Doing away with Dawes Pond was also seen as a strength by some.